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House of Representatives

The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. RASKIN).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
March 16, 2020.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JAMIE RASKIN to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Reverend Dr. Dan C. Cummins, Capitol Worship, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Heavenly Father, creator of all things, throughout our history have plagues and diseases pillaged our human frailties. Still another leviathan plunders Your children—stealing, destroying, and killing without prejudice. We beseech You this morning without timidity, but in all reverence and humiliation, reminding You of Your promise to us, Your children, that if destruction should come in the guise of drought or by the hordes of locusts or the peril of pestilence, and whether it comes with the morning's sun, the noonday heat, or the darkness of night, or whether it comes by nature's chance, man's nefarious deed, or by Your outstretched hand, You promised that if Your people, who are called by Your name, shall humble themselves, pray, seek Your face, and turn from our wicked ways, You will hear us from heaven, forgive our sin, and heal our land.

For this we shall do and plead today, O Lord.

In Jesus' name, amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 7(a) of House Resolution 891, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 2 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess.

□ 1200

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. RASKIN) at noon.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO BRITISH-AMERICAN INTER-PARLIAMENTARY GROUP

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2761, and the order of the House of January 3, 2019, of the following Members on the part of the House to the British-American Interparliamentary Group:

Mr. MEEKS, New York
Ms. DELBENE, Washington
Mr. KILMER, Washington
Mr. GOMEZ, California
Mr. CROW, Colorado

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO CANADA-UNITED STATES INTER-PARLIAMENTARY GROUP

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 276d and the order of the House of January 3, 2019, of the following Members on the part of the House to the Canada-United States Interparliamentary Group:

Mr. MEEKS, New York
Mr. PETERSON, Minnesota
Mr. DEFazio, Oregon
Mr. LARSEN, Washington
Ms. DELBENE, Washington
Mr. MORELLE, New York

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE PRESIDENT'S EXPORT COUNCIL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to Executive Order 12131, and the order of the House of January 3, 2019, of the following Members on the part of the House to the President's Export Council:

Mr. LARSON, Connecticut
Ms. DELBENE, Washington
Mr. GOMEZ, California

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 1 minute p.m.), the House stood in recess.

□ 2006

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Ms. WEXTON) at 8 o'clock and 6 minutes p.m.

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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